

Claim 30, line 1, delete "treating and".

Claim 31, line 2, delete "additive".

Kindly rewrite the following claims in amended form:

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1. (Amended) A kit for imparting a pre-determined color to a solid wood substrate, comprising:

(a) an aqueous solution of a first compound consisting of a mineral salt and water as a first application on the solid wood substrate, and

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(b) a second component comprising an aqueous solution of a peroxide as a sequential application on the solid wood substrate, the mineral salt and peroxide solutions [applied] as sequential[ly] applications in effective amounts [to] on the substrate and colored layer on the substrate formed by the applications reacting with each other in the presence of the substrate to impart the color to the substrate.

2. (Amended) A method for [Treating and] coloring a wood substrate with the kit of claim 30 comprising the steps of:

(a) contacting the wood substrate with the first component aqueous solution preparation comprising the oxidizable metal salt, and allowing an effective amount of the first

component aqueous solution preparation to penetrate the wood substrate, and sequentially but without regard to order,

(b) contacting the wood substrate with the second component aqueous solution preparation comprising an oxygen source, and allowing an effective amount of the second component